MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: DRAFT FINDINGS ON THE HEALTH EFFECTS OF THE ACTIVE

INGREDIENT: METHIDATHION

Enclosed please find a copy of the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment's (OEHHA) draft findings for the active ingredient methidathion. These draft findings were prepared in response to the risk characterization document (RCD, dated June, 2001), the draft addendum to the RCD (dated October 3, 2003) and final exposure assessment (EAD, dated July 22, 2003) for methidathion prepared by the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR). The information contained in these documents served to identify methidathion as a candidate toxic air contaminant (TAC).

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Pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code sections 14022 and 14023, OEHHA provides review, consultation and comments to DPR on the evaluation of the health effects of candidate toxic air contaminants (TAC) included in the TAC documents. As part of its statutory responsibility, OEHHA also prepares findings on the health effects of the candidate toxic air contaminants. This documentation is to be included as part of the DPR report.

Should you have any questions regarding OEHHA's draft findings on the health effects of methidathion, please contact Dr. David Rice at (916) 324-1277 (primary reviewer), Mr. Robert Schlag at (916) 323-2624, or Dr. Anna M. Fan at (510) 622-3165.

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